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Applicant:

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COMPOSITION,

GEL

ELECTROLYTE,

NON-AQUEOUS

ELECTROLYTE

BATTERY, AND

ELECTRICAL

DOUBLE-LAYER

CAPACITOR

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

5. (Amended) A gel electrolyte prepared by shaping the thermoplastic resin according to claim 1, then immersing the shaped resin in an electrolyte solution to effect swelling.

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